



Week ending March 30, 2007

Mayor, Members of the City Council, and the Community Members:

CITYWIDE WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS REPORT

The *Citywide Weekly Report* highlights various activities throughout the City for the week. Consistent with our mission to ensure equal access to opportunity, education, and quality of life for every man, woman and child regardless of their race, religion, age or socio-economic status, this report will work to organize our weekly achievements so that we can measure and maximize our management and performance toward reaching our goals. It is our intent that this report will help to improve communications about the programs and services provided to both the City Council and the community.

Please contact the Public Affairs Department at 559-621-7777 with any questions.

MAJOR WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

Airports

- On Tuesday, April 10, the Fresno City Council unanimously approved an agreement with World Water & Power for Fresno Yosemite International Airport to proceed with the installation of a large solar power generating project planned Airport. The solar project will cover approximately 25 acres and is just one of the City's latest initiatives as an environmental leader to improve sustainability and energy efficiency. The Airport solar project will be the single largest solar installation at any airport in the country.

WEEKLY NEWS

KEY RESULT AREA: PUBLIC SAFETY

Police

- Highlights of the Mayor's Gang Prevention Initiative accomplishments last week include a total of 525 gang referrals and more than 100 clients placed with providers.

KEY RESULT AREA: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Economic Development

- The City of Fresno Small Farmer Emergency Business Loan Program is pleased to report that 10 loans totaling approximately \$150,000 were approved at the loan committee meeting on April 10th. These loans will make it possible for small family farms to replant; begin the process of recovering from the devastating frost that impacted their businesses.

KEY RESULT AREA: CUSTOMER SERVICE

Public Works

Median Islands

- Cleaned 2.9 million sq. ft. of landscaping which equates to 68 acres.
- Sprayed 7.1 million sq. ft. of landscaping.

Streets Maintenance

- Street Electricians: Completed the pole lights at the Convention Center.
- Street Sign: Installed new Chuckchansi Park signs around and approaching the stadium. Re-striped and painted curbs and crosswalks around Chuckchansi Park.

Transportation

- On March 12, 2007, FAX initiated a Midday Trolley marketing campaign in the Fresno Downtown area, as a result, ridership has increased by 6.02%.

General Services

- Fleet Management staff is working with the Police Department to complete the procurement of another DUI trailer. The funds for the additional trailer were provided under a grant the Police Department was awarded.
- Fleet's new 15,000 gallon Liquid Natural Gas (LNG) fuel station addition is up and running and working excellently. The station will provide enough capacity for replacement of additional trucks with LNG models.
- Facilities maintenance staff has begun the annual Spring task of preparing for the Summer heat. Staff is performing preventative maintenance work on evaporative coolers throughout all City owned facilities.

Planning and Development

- Housing hosted a forum on April 11 at City Hall regarding high density single family residential development. The goal is to continue discussions leading to changes in the development process, under City control, that will more easily allow for these types of developments to occur in Fresno.

Public Utilities

- On April 5th Community Sanitation Litter Control staff, under the guidance of the City Attorney's office, performed their first encampment cleanup since the court imposed injunction. Various agencies specializing in homeless issues were on

hand at the location near Roeding Park, to help individuals move their items and acquire other needed assistance.

- On April 7th, City of Fresno Recycling Program staff teamed up with Kragen Auto Parts and MEGA 97.9 to educate residents on Used Motor Oil and Filter Recycling options within the City of Fresno.

Airports

- On Friday, April 6, Fresno Yosemite International Airport held a media event to unveil its latest addition to Airport Rescue protection - the Oshkosh Striker 3000 ARFF vehicle. The Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting (ARFF) vehicle allows FYI to respond to airfield emergencies with state-of-the-art aircraft firefighting equipment and technology.